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INDIANA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS BOARD

To: Members, Indiana Professional Standards Board

From: Peggy Hines, Chair, External Committee for School Counselors

Date: January 23, 2002

RE: Standards for School Counselors

At the September 19, 2001, meeting of the Indiana Professional Standards Board, the External Committee for School Counselors presented the initial draft of their standards. Subsequent to that meeting, the External Committee for School Counselors followed the IPSB requirements for feedback, sending the standards, along with the Board approved questionnaire, to all core stakeholder groups. In addition, the External Committee identified several counseling organizations and requested feedback.

The External Committee received 17 responses to the survey. Most survey respondents did not make comments. The few comments made did not relate to substantive issues or issues within the purview of the committee charge. The two substantive comments related to issues of classroom management and dealing with crisis situations. At their November meeting, the External Committee for School Counselors reviewed the feedback, including notes from the comments made at the September Board meeting. The focus of discussions centered on the specific issues listed above.

The External Committee for School Counselors is requesting approval for the final draft of their standards. These standards will serve as an appendix to the *Standards for School Service Professionals*.

External Committee for School Counselors' Recommendation:

Approve the *Standards for School Counseling Professionals* as an appendix to the *Standards for School Service Professionals*.

Indiana Professional Standards Board Action:
